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## Fairmont State Community & Technology College Approved For Rural Business Enterprise Grant

**Morgantown, WV – June 21, 2006:** State Director Robert M. Steptoe, III, today announced that **Rural Development** approved a Rural Business Enterprise Grant of \$25,000 for Fairmont State Community & Technology College, Marion County, WV.

Rural Development funds will be used to provide training, counseling, leadership and support to small and emerging businesses in order to create jobs and economic prosperity within the rural counties of central West Virginia.

Steptoe remarked, "This project is expected to create 40 jobs and save 40 jobs, indicative of Rural Development's mission to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for all rural Americans."

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